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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed February 25, 2008, Applicants hereby elect for examination Group II, Claims 1-27, drawn to a method of eliciting a T cell response against a T cell epitope, wherein a combination of nucleotide sequences of interests and a protein is involved.

The Examiner has required a further election of species. Applicants elect as a specific T cell epitope the HA antigen of the influenza virus, support for which can be found, inter alia, on page 67 of the published PCT application and in Figures 6B-9.

If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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